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independent contractor of a professional association by saying that if only one of the disputants is a member of the association, that's inappropriate. But if both disputants are a member of the association, then it would be appropriate, because you would not have the consumer versus the ... let's say a new car dealer who is then taking it in front of another new car dealer who is an employee of the New Car You wouldn't have that Association. kind of one-sidedness. So if both of the disputants are part of can use an employee or an independent association, you contractor of the association. But if only one is a member of the association, you can't use an employer, an independent contractor from the association. This leaves, by the way, clear for a situation which I think will arise. We have a situation in which an association allows its members to hold themselves out as a member of that association, and they have a code of Now that code of ethics is higher and different from the licensure statutes which the state does exhibit. different than a contract that a member of that association would have with the public. However, if the member of the public feels wronged, they could go to the association asking some discipline based on the code of ethics by the So, let me tell you that from my perception this organization. leaves free the situation in which a member of an organization which has signed an agreement to arbitrate their code of ethics with their own association could use this process association could provide an arbitrator. The reason being that the complaint would be a complaint about a violation of a code A consumer would not have the right to use that, 'cause that's not a contractual right, and it's not a licensure right, but it would actually give the consumer a form of remedy they do not now have, and it would make the member of the association bear the responsibility for any violation of that code of ethics that they might have. So, in that sense I think it moves us forward on the prospect of giving consumers remedy in their relationships with professionals. I would ask for the adoption of the amendments and the movement of the bill. you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Landis. There are no lights on. Did you wish to say anything further? Thank you. The question before the body is the adoption of the Landis